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### **REMARKS**

This response is intended as a full and complete response to the non-final Office Action mailed April 15, 2008. In the Office Action, the Examiner notes that claims 1-12 are pending and rejected.

It is to be understood that Applicants do not acquiesce to the Examiner's characterizations of the art of record or to Applicants' subject matter recited in the pending claims. Further, Applicants are not acquiescing to the Examiner's statements as to the applicability of the prior art of record to the pending claims by filing the instant response.

### **DOUBLE PATENTING**

#### **Claims 1-6**

Claims 1-6 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §101 as claiming the same invention as that of claim 1 of prior U.S. patent No. 6,415,437 (hereinafter '437). Claims 1-6 have been cancelled. As such, the Examiner's rejection is moot.

#### **Claim 7**

Claim 7 is rejected on the ground of nonstatutory obviousness double patenting as being unpatentable over claim 10 of '437. A Terminal Disclaimer is submitted herewith. As such, the Examiner's rejection should be withdrawn.

### **ALLOWABLE SUBJECT MATTER**

Applicants thank the Examiner for the allowance of claim 7 over the prior art.

Claims 8-12 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. It is noted that claims 1-6 are cancelled and that a terminal disclaimer for claim 7 has been submitted herewith. Thus, the objection to claims 8-12 should be withdrawn.

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**NEWLY ADDED CLAIMS**


Claim 13-20 have been added. Claims 13-15 depend directly or indirectly from claim 7 and are therefore patentable. Claim 16 is a method claim similar in scope and language to apparatus claim 7 and is therefore patentable. Claims 17-20 depend directly or indirectly from claim 16 and are therefore also patentable.

**CONCLUSION**

Thus, Applicants submit that all of the claims presently in the application are allowable. Accordingly, both reconsideration of this application and its swift passage to issue are earnestly solicited.

If, however, the Examiner believes that there are any unresolved issues requiring adverse final action in any of the claims now pending in the application, it is requested that the Examiner telephone Eamon J. Wall at (732) 530-9404, so that appropriate arrangements can be made for resolving such issues as expeditiously as possible.

Respectfully submitted,

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